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SUPREME COURT OF ARIZONA

IN THE MATTER OF A MEMBER
OF THE STATE BAR OF ARIZONA,

CHRISTOPHER J. CHARLES,
Bar No. 023148

RESPONDENT.

) Supreme Court
) No. SB-08-0011-D
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) Disciplinary Commission
) No. 07-0080
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) **JUDGMENT AND ORDER**
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This matter having come on for hearing before the Disciplinary Commission of the Supreme Court of Arizona, it having duly rendered its decision and there having been no discretionary review,

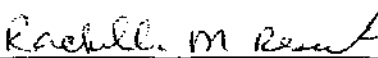
IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that **CHRISTOPHER J. CHARLES**, a member of the State Bar of Arizona, is hereby censured for conduct in violation of his duties and obligations as a lawyer, as disclosed in the Disciplinary Commission Report.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that **CHRISTOPHER J. CHARLES** shall be placed on probation until July 19, 2009. Bar Counsel shall notify the Disciplinary Clerk of the date on which the probation begins. The terms of probation are as follows:

- 1) Respondent shall continue his current Member Assistance Program ("MAP") contract until July 19, 2009. The parties have agreed that modifications will be made to the existing MAP contract as needed.
- 2) Upon issuance of the final Judgment and Order, Respondent will cease being on conditional admission status.
- 3) Respondent shall pay all costs associated with these proceedings.
- 4) In the event that Respondent fails to comply with any of the foregoing conditions, and the State Bar receives information to that effect, bar counsel shall file with the Hearing Officer a Notice of Non-Compliance, pursuant to Rule 60(a)5, Ariz.R.Sup.Ct. The Hearing Officer shall conduct a hearing within thirty days after receipt of said notice, to determine whether the terms of probation have been violated and if an additional sanction should be imposed. In the event there is an allegation that any of these terms have been violated, the burden of proof shall be on the State Bar of Arizona to prove non-compliance by clear and convincing evidence.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that pursuant to Rule 60(b), the State Bar of Arizona is granted judgment against **CHRISTOPHER J. CHARLES** for costs and expenses of these proceedings in the amount of \$780.00, together with interest at the legal rate from the date of this judgment.

DATED this 6th day of February, 2008.


RACHELLE M. RESNICK
Clerk of the Court

TO:

Christopher J. Charles, Respondent (Certified Mail, Return Receipt and Regular Mail)

James J. Syme, Jr., Respondent's Counsel

Shauna R. Miller, Bar Counsel

Honorable H. Jeffrey Coker, Hearing Officer 6R

Nancy Swetnam, Acting Disciplinary Clerk (Cert. Copy)

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The foregoing instrument is a full, true and correct copy of the original on file in this office.

ATTEST

Rachelle M. Resnick, Clerk of the Supreme Court
State of Arizona

By  Deputy